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1. ALDO ZUCOLILLO WILL BE IN WASHINGTON FRIDAY, SEPT. 22 AND IS WILLING TO STAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26 IF HIGH LEVEL APPOINTMENTS CAN BE ARRANGED. ZUCOLILLO IS OWNER, PUBLISHER AND EDITOR OF ABC, THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST AND MOST INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER. IT IS ZUCOLILLO WHO CAN TAKE A LARGE SHARE OF THE CREDIT FOR BRINGING MAJOR ADVANCES IN FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION TO PARAGUAY. ZUCOLILLO IS AN INTERESTING MAN. HE IS RICH, LARGELY SELF-EDUCATED, FRIENDLY WITH THE RULING CIRCLES OF THE GOVERNMENT BUT DEDICATED TO EXPOSING CORRUPTION AND HAS THEREFORE AN MANY ENEMIES IN THE GOVERNMENT AS FRIENDS. HE DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN PARTISAN POLITICS AND HAS NO PERSONAL POLITICAL AMBITIONS. HE ADMIRES THE CARTER HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY BUT IS UNSURE OF THE FIRMNESS OF OUR COMMITMENT TO THAT POLICY. ZUCOLILLO HAS GREAT INFLUENCE AND I BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT HE MEET WITH A FEW HIGH LEVEL PEOPLE IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND DEPARTMENT DURING HIS STAY IN WASHINGTON.

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